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DEFENSE STAGGERED

STATE'S TESTIMONY IN BERGER
CASE CL SED IN 30 MINUTES.

MRS. SCIEFGEL IN COURT.

GREAT CROW TO HEAR THE OPENING ATEMENTS.

Testimony for the State Is Unexpectedly Brief and Confined to Show-tr. Premeditation and the Crime—Defense Left at Sen.

Jury that is to sit in judgment upon the factous Schlegel murder case was chosen at 11:29 o'clock yesterday morning, and three minutes later Prosecutor Lowe began to read the indictment of John Schlegel for the murder of Dr. L. A. Berger, at Twelfth and Walnut streets, on July 8, 1857. There was a deathlike silence in the crowded court room when the state's attorney began to read. Every seat in the room was taken and men and boxys crowded the wide aisle and stood in the space reserved for jurors on the west side of the court room, Many women were present. They were different from the usual class of women that attends murder trials. They were different from the usual class of women that attends murder trials. They were different from the usual class of women that attends murder trials. They were different from the usual class of women that attends murder trials. They were different from the usual class of women that attends murder trials. They were different from the usual class of women that attends murder trials. They were different from the usual class of women that attends murder trials. They were different from the usual class of women that attends murder trials. They were different from the usual class of women that attends murder trials. They were different from the usual class of women that attends murder trials. They were different from the usual class of women that attends murder trials. They were different from the usual class of women that attends murder trials. They were different from the usual class of women that attends murder trials. They were different from the usual class of women that attends murder trials. They were different from the usual class of women that attends murder trials. They were different from the usual class of women t

When Schlegel was brought in there was no craning of necks. He passed almost unnoticed to the seat reserved for him beside his attorney. The arrival of Mrs. Schlegel, however, caused a buzz of excitement, She entered the court room from the corridor leading to the cell department and defense were sworn and sent to the witwalked to a chair beside her husband and ness room. At 2:10 o'clock the taking of sat down as though fully conscious that testimony began with William Vettin, an she was the observed of all observers. She employe of Schmelzer Arms Company, on was handsomely dressed, her features look- the stand. Prosecutor Lowe asked the ing a trifle pale under the chiffon vell she witness if he had seen Schlegel on July 8, wore. Her dress consisted of a dark green 1897. Witness said he had; he sold Schlegel skirt, dark green worsted waist, a chiffon a revolver on that day between 2:30 and 3 collarette and a black jacket. She wore a o'clock in the afternoon. large black hat, surmounted with feathers.

A smile overspread the face of the defendmake. He identified a weapon lying on the ant when his wife sat down beside him, but Mrs. Schlegel's face did not relax. She sat down without a greeting, except a motion for him to draw his chair nearer to at Teath and Main streets, saw Schlegel in

of the court room, straining their ears to

catch every word that was uttered.

There were no sensational developments There were no sensational developments revolver, which was granted. After load-yesterday. The state made out its case in ing the revolver Schlegel left the store, xactly thirty minutes and rested, which so surprised the attorneys for the defense that ey floundered hopelessly for some time before they could formulate a request for time in which to hold a conference. After some delay the defense began to put witnesses on the stand, but they almost invariably strengthened the case of the state and at 3:40 o'clock Major Woodson was almost "at sea." He had expected the state to show its hand at the first move, but, instead, the defense was drawn from cover and the array of witnesses marshaled for Schlegel yesterday came to the stand with material that aided to strengthen the

The court early blocked the thou the attorneys for the defense to show the state of mind Schlegel was in after he had done the killing. This surprised Major Woodson and Attorney Silverman so much that they groped almost hopelessly for a thread on which to hang their story of the contains a monthly. As a final contains a contain. The court early blocked the efforts of

of one of their own witnesses, inspector of Detectives Halpin, who stated that "Schlegel was more excited after the killing than he was before. While he was standing over the prostrate body of Dr. Berger he appeared to be perfectly cool and Prosecutor Lowe examined all the wit-

nesses for the state, Major Warner and Colonel John O'Grady sitting by and watch-ing, the progress of the trial with keen in-terest, but making few suggestions to the

ished upon Dr. Berger and shot him twice conce in the back and once in the side; int Dr. Berger soon afterward died.

'Having done this, gentlemen,' said the resecutor, 'We will contend that the state as made a case under the indictment.'

At this point a recess was taken for incheon. Upon the taking up of court at 28 c'clock Major Woodson outlind the se for the defense. Major Woodson be-

s reluctant to tell her husband of the trage that had been committed upon her, e cyidence will show you that after betold of the outrage Mr. Schlegel went see Attorney Steubenrauch, and that the ster was talked over fully, for the purse of bringing legal action. I think the dence will show you that Mr. Schlegel stold that it was inadvisable to carry a matter isto the courts owing to the the matter into the courts, owing to the

impelled human action."

The major then drew a pretty verbal picture of the Schlegel home before the whispered story of Mrs. Schlegel began to prey upon the mind of the slayer of Dr. Berger. He talked in a low tone, slowly, and was as impressive as possible. The jury listened intently to his remarks. State's Testimony.

At the conclusion of his outline of the case the witnesses for the state and the

prosecutor's table as one that was similar to the one he had sold Schlegel. He was not cross-examined.

Amos D. Slack, a clerk in a shoe store the store on July 8, 1896. Schlegel entered the store and asked permission to load a saying, I am mach boniged, I it buy my next pair of shoes here." On cross-ex-amination Slack said he told Schlegel to be careful or he would "kill his fool self." John Johnson, 3027 Campbell street, was in Chapman's eigar store across the street from where the shooting occurred when the first shot was fired. He ran into the street and was within twenty feet of Schlegel when he fired the second shot. He heard Schlegel say, "I did the shoot-ing."

the second shot was fired?"
"He was close to O'Brien's saloon and at
the second shot he wheeled and fell to the

-any weapons?

"No, sir."
On cross-examination Major Woodson asked the witness if he heard Schlegel say anything about "wife or family." The question was ruled out as improper. Deputy Coroner Dr. W. S. Wheeler described the wounds on the body of Dr. Berger. He saw the body on the operating table at All Saints' hospital. There were two wounds—one in the right side, the same content of the proper series of the content of the were two wounds—one in the right side, the other on the left side between the eighth and ninth ribs. The ball that entered the left side ranged upward through the body and came out between the fourth and fifti and came out between the fourth and fifti ribs. This was the wound that caused the death of the doctor. The last bullet pussed through the lung and the heart. Dr Wheeler said he thought Dr. Berger was either falling or prostrate when he re-ceived the second wound. Dr. Berger

ceived the second wound. Dr. Berger's death came thirty minutes after the shoot-After a short cross-examination by Attor-B. Silverman, the prosecutor an-

ney G. B. Silverman, the prosecutor announced:
"That's our case."

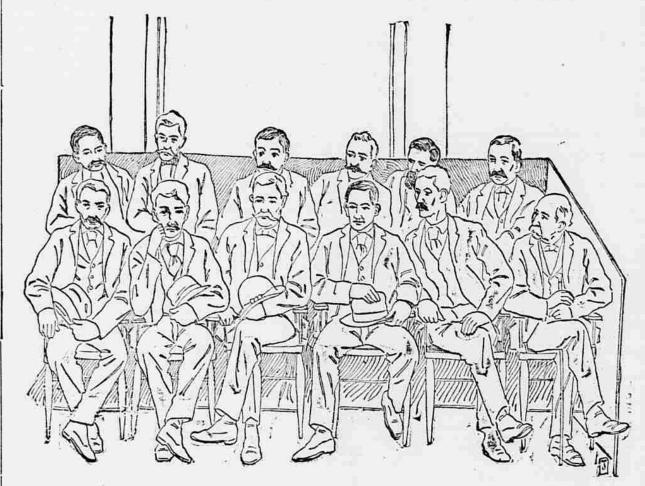
Just thirty minutes had been consumed by the state. The attorneys for the defense were clearly taken off their feet by the announcement, and a hurried consultation was held by Major Woodson and Attorney Silverman. After several minutes the attorneys for the defense announced that they were ready to proceed.

im die."
"Who took the pistol from Schlegel?"
"Detective Halpin."
"Did you see John Johnson there?"
"No, sir. I was not looking for anybody side the man who did the shooting."

Detective Charles Sanderson said Detec-tive Halpin had hold of Schlegel, and Offi-

City Club, said he saw the shoting. He was about forty feet from Schlegel when the first shot was fired. He saw the flash of the first shot. He was not acquainted with either of the participants in the tragedy. He did not hear anything said by Dr. Berger or Schlegel before the shooting. "How did the defendant hold the pistol?"

JURY IN THE BERGER MURDER CASE.



1-Vas Perkins, 3-R. T. Aker. 5-David Owings. 7-Robert Dehoney, 9-Edward Umbruck, 11-Isaiah Johnson. 2-A. W. Steele, 4-Edward Ritchey, 6-James V. Cline, 8-Louis Antoine, 10-C. M. Winfrey, 12-R. P. Dixon.

Tracy, candidate for mayor; Secretary of the Interior Cornelius N. Bliss and Governor Frank N. Black addressed an audience of 1,500 persons at a Republican mecting held to-night in the Lenox lyceum here. Secretary Bliss, in the course of his re-

"There are two candidates in this town standing on the Chicago platform-onsquarely, the other not saying much about "What was Dr. Berger's attitude when it, but standing there just the same.

"There has been criticism about mer coming from Washington and Ohio and Nebraska and other places to speak to the right as a citizen of this town to come. I bave seen Senators Thurston and Foraker come here before, and some of our friends who now criticise them for coming were then glad to see them. They did not come to tell you what to do, but to find out what you are going to do.

"The state of Kansas is raising money for George's campaign. A fund to elect George is being contributed by Kansas people. I can say that I hear over the country, What is New York going to do? They ask; 'Are the people New York going back on what they did

"That is the question. There is but one thing for the great Republican party in this state to do. It is to get behind General B. Tracy, elect him mayor of this great city and thus guarantee for four years honest government in every way and concur-Colored John O Grady sitting by and watch in the progress of the trial with keen in the progress of the trial with keen in the progress of the trial with keen in the progress of the trial would be a some than at first expected. Judge Wofferd, who has a crowded docket, is analous to have this case disposed of, is well as some minor business, before the Goddand case is reached next Monday. Several minor cases were disposed of in the court yesterday before the case against Schlegel was taken up.

Opening Statement.

It was 11:22 o'clock when the state's atterney began to read the indictment which charges Schlegel with the murder of Dr. Betger. The prosecutor said the testimony on behalf of the state would be very brief. It would be to show that Schlegel went to Schmelzer's gun store on the date of the murder and bought a pistol; that the Went would be to show that Schlegel went to Schmelzer's gun store on the date of the murder and bought a pistol; that the Went would be to show that Schlegel went to Schmelzer's gun store on the date of the murder and bought a pistol; that the Went would be to show that Schlegel went to Schmelzer's gun store on the date of the murder and bought a pistol; that the Went would be to show that Schlegel went to Schmelzer's gun store on the date of the murder and bought a pistol; that the Went would be to show that Schlegel went to Schmelzer's gun store on the date of the murder and bought a pistol; that the Went would be very brief, it would be to show that Schlegel went to Schmelzer's gun store on the date of the murder and bought a pistol; that the Went would be very brief, it would be to show that Schlegel went to Schmelzer's gun store on the date of the murder and bought a pistol; that the Went would be to show that Schlegel went to Schmelzer's gun store on the date of the murder of Dr. Betger soon afterward died.

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"He would be to show that Schlegel went to rence with the country in honest money

Mr. George was received with tremenous cheering, at the conclusion of which he be-gan an address that was interrupted re-bed to the conclusion of the conclusion of the his customary appeal to the "true Democ-racy," in the name of Thomas Jefferson.

has made a case under the Indictment. At this point a cases was taken for innehend the properties of t

Dr. Berger or Schlegel before the shooting, "How did the defendant hold the pistoi?" "He held it with both hands." "I am a free trader in the full sense of Major Woodson addressed the court and Continued on Third Page.

one individual from interfering with the equal rights of another.

Tas to the question of Sunday closing I believe in individual freedom. Those persons who wish to go to church on Sunday should not be interfered with in any way by a person who wishes to sell or drink ilquor on Sunday should not be interfered with by the person who wishes to sell or drink ilquor on Sunday should not be interfered with by the person who wishes to go to church. The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath. The law should see to it that liquor selling is conducted in decency and in order. A man's conduct should be governed solely by his own conscience, so long as he preserves the public peace."

Speaking at a mass meeting at Majestic hall, Henry George said:

"For the republic now I care nothing, but it is to the republic of tramps and millionaires; not a republic where one man has the power of a car; not a republic where one man has the power of a car; not a republic of God. A Christian Fepublic in the true sense of the word."

Richard Croker is credited with the prediction that Van Wyck will have a plurality of 75,000, and that 50,000 is safe to bet on. Meanwhile, there is much more talk of wagers than there is outward and visible sign of betting, and actual placing of money has not as yet begun to any marked extent.

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District assembly No. 49, Knights of abor, has indorsed Henry George. The listrict assembly has fifty local assemblies in this city and they comprise a member-

BRYAN TO STUMP OHIO.

Will Spend the Last Week of the Campaign in the Buckeye

Newark, O., Oct. 20 .- Williams Jennings Bryan will spend the last week of this hard Wement."
Did Dr. Berger have anything in his people of New York. I thought I had a fought Ohio campaign stumping the Buckeve state in the interest of Horace L. Chapman, and the Democratic legislative ticket. Those on the inside have known that the state committee would spring fryan at the close of the campaign, but it was not publicly or definitely announced until to-day. A telegram from the state committee states that Bryan will be in Newark on Thursday afternoon, October From Newark, Bryan will go to Shaw

CLUB WOMEN IN SESSION. General Federation of Women's Clubs Holding a Convention at

Nashville. Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 20.-The general federation of women's clubs held its first session here to-day, Mrs. Ellen M. Henrotin, of Illinois, presiding. There was a tin, of Illinois, presiding. There was a large attendance. An address of welcome was delivered by Mrs. Van Leer Kirkman, president of the woman's department of the Tennessee centennial exposition, and Mrs. Henrotin responded in a graceful speech. An address was made by Mrs. Urquhart Lee, of Chicago, on "Parliamentary Usages." A meeting of the directors of the general federation of women's clubs was held this afternoon. To-night a reception was given for the delegates. The organization will be in session for three days and papers on various important subjects and papers on various important subjects will be read and discussed.

RAPID TRANSIT FOR ST. LOUIS. Eastern Capitalists, It Is Said, Will Put In a New Elevated System.

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 20 .- According to one of the best informed financiers in the city, Eastern capitalists have been here quietly obtaining information and estimates and arranging the preliminaries for a rapid transit elevated system for St. Louis. One of the interested parties said to-day that matters would in all probability assume denote shape before the middle of November.

Berlin, Oct. 20.—Lord Rosebery, the former premier and leader of the Liberal party of Great Britain, in company with Counflerbert Eismarck, is visiting the former chancellor, Prince Bismarck, at Friedrichs.

Rosebery Visiting Bismarck.

All Left to the Widow. Tickets. New York, Oct. 20.—The will of former Senator John R. McPherson was filed in Jersey City to-day. The estate amounts to several million dollars and all is left to the Chicago, Oct. 20.-Nearly thirty theater

BRIEF BITS OF NEWS.

United States Marshal Tatum was killed n stepping from a moving train Tuesday at his home near Trenton, Ga. P. A. Klenkenbeard, of Cawker City, Kas., was married Tuesday to Micro Kas., was married Tuesday to Miss Fannie Buckner, formerly a teacher of the Nevada, Mo., public schools. Mo., public schools.

Senator Pritchard, of North Carolina, has reached Omaha, and will carry on his official investigation of the alleged discharge of government employes for political reactors.

Kansas City people at the New York hotels yesterday were: H. C. Briggs, at the Gilsey; W. McMillan, at the Cadillac; L. C. Krauthoff, at the Imperial; W. Ber-kowitz, at the Albert. Secretary Sherman has arranged to start for his home at Mansfield, O., Saturday of next week, or the day after the president leaves Washington, He will vote at Mans-field.

SHERIFF SHOT DOWN

B. LARD, OF RILEY COUNTY, KAS., MURDERED BY A JOINTIST.

LYNCHING NARROWLY AVERTED.

PRAGEDY OCCURRED AT LEONARD-VILLE YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

Jointist Had Been Arrested, but Secured Possession of a Drunken Deputy's Pistol and Shot Sheriff Lard Dead-

Other Crimes,

Leonardville, Kas., Oct. 20 .- (Special.) Sheriff S. B. Lard of this county, while atempting the arrest of Ike Warren to-day, was shot and instantly killed by

Warren. Sheriff Lard and Deputy Busham arrested Warren this afternoon for violation of the prohibitory law. Basham was left in charge of the prisoner and the stock of liquors, and, it is said, got drunk. Waren in some way secured the deputy's pistol. As he walked out, he met Sheriff Lard and shot him in the face. The sheriff returned the fire but old not hit his man Warrer fired eight times, the second shot hitting Lard in the side near the heart, killing him

instantly. Warren attempted to escape, but was captured. An effort was made to mob him. County Attorney Irish, of Manhattan happened to be here, and it was a speech by him that saved the prisoner from

Warren was taken to Manhattan to-night, where he is now in jail. He expresses no regret, and is considered a hard character. He was recently released from jail, where he served a term of imprisonment for violation of the prohibitory law. There is much excitement here but the law will be allowed to take its course, although the killing was unprovoked and cowardly Warren had been drunk several days prior to the murder. Sheriff Lard was elected last fall as

fusionist. He was a good officer.

DALTON MAY BE PARDONED. Effort to Be Made for the Release of the Notorious Kansas

Outlaw. Topeka, Kas., Oct. 20 .- (Special.) Preliminary steps are now being taken to secure a pardon for Emmet Dalton, the notorious utlaw, who is serving a life sentence in the Kansas penitentiary for murder. Unless public indignation is aroused, there is grave danger of his being liberated. This information comes direct from one of the members of the board of pardons. This member took in the fall festivities at Kanas City recently, and one evening be frank just enough to make him talkative le was with some other Kansans, and to hem he imparted the information. He said hat Dalton's friends were getting ready t that Dalton's friends were getting ready to circulate peritions in the southern part of the state, and that in due time an application would be made for a pardon. Dalton is foreman of the tailor shop at the penitentiary. This member had on a fine suit of clothes, which he claimed Dalton had given him, and he told others in the party that If they wanted suits he would get Emmet to make them free of charge. He did not say whether Dalton had presented the other two members with a suit each. the other two members with a suit each.

FORGED THEATER PASSES. Thirty Chicagoans Taken In by Clever Swindlers on Cut Rate

coers who sought admission to Hooley's ast night discovered they had been fleeced for the price of their tickets by swindlers. One after another they present

swindlers. One after another they presented what they supposed to be genuine passes and the accompanying coupon, only to be informed that the paper was worthless and that the signatures and stamps upon it had been forged.

Unable to get within, the victims gathered in the lobby and compared their tales of woe. It appears from the stories told by those who had been duped that they had been approached during the two previous days by two smooth-appearing men of middle age and had been induced to buy the passes at a reduced rate. It had been pointed out to them by the strangers that the slips of paper were strictly genuine. Coupons seemingly torn from tickets and punched in regulation style were sold together with the passes.

St. Louis Reporter Does Murder. St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 20.—Thomas Y. Reynolds, aged 50, for many years court reporter for one of the local papers, shot and killed Joseph Kirby, aged 29, a clerk in a railroad office, and a talented singer. The shooting was said to have been the result of a quarrel. Reynolds gave himself up.

Oklahoma Malefactors Sentenced. Guthrie, O. T., Oct. 20.—(Special.) In the listrict court to-day David Blessing, who But not exorbitant. O. B. Stanton. Prop.

shot and killed a tenant in a quarret a month ago, was sentenced to the penitentiary for ten years. Pomeroy Cooper and C. C. Hoagland, six years for horse stealing, and Tom Patton, three years for stealing a set of harness.

LIVELY SHOOTING AFFRAY. Edgerton, Mo., Quarrel Ends With

One Man Fatally and Two Others Seriously Injured. Edgerton, Mo., Oct. 20 .- (Special.) A prob-

ably fatal shoating affray occurred here about 7 o'clock this evening. T. C. Endicott and his son-in-law, George Masoner pecame involved in an alternation over some family trouble. Bystanders interfer ed and separated them. They got togeth ed and separated them. They got together again and renewed the quarrel. Both drew pistols and began firing. While they were shooting, Endicott's son, Walter, ran up and commenced shooting Masoner from behind. When the firing ceased it was found that Masoner had been shot three times. One shot entered the right breast, one in the small of the back and one in the neck. His wounds are believed to be fatal. Endicott was shot in the thigh. W. A. Hughes, a bystander, was also wounded in the leg. Fifteen shots in all were fired, and the wonder is that more persons were not hurt, as the streets were full of people going to and from the postoffice for their mail. Several plate glass windows were broken. There is much excitement in town to-night. No one seems to know who fired the first shot.

PENSION FRAUD CASE.

Judgment Rendered Against Andrew Flegel, a Wealthy Missouri

Farmer, Yesterday. Jefferson City, Mo., Oct. 20.-(Special.) The case of United States vs. Andrew Flegel was tried before Judge Philips in the United States district court here today. Flegel is a wealthy farmer of Cole county, who obtained a pension several years ago on account of deafness. The government officials, through United States Attorney Walker, brought suit to recover this pension on the ground that it was obtained by fraud. About twenty-five witnesses were examined to prove that it was obtained through fraudulent affidavits. Flegel as a defense claimed that he did contract deafness in the service and therefore he obtained his pension without fraud. Judge Philips rendered judgment against Flegel for \$183.95.

JURY IGNORES INSTRUCTIONS. Refused to Bring In a Verdict of

Guilty in the Fuchs Case. na Ordered.

Jefferson City, Mo., Oct. 20.—(Special.) The case of United States vs. Charles W. Fuchs occupied the attention of Judge Fuchs occupied the attention of Judge Philips and a jury in the United States of a bank, by a redemption fund of 10 per cent, kept constantly on decourt here all day yesterday. Fuchs was

QUADRUPLE TRAGEDY.

Minnesota Farmer Kills His Wife, His Two Little Boys and

Himself. Plue Earth City, Minn., Oct. 20.-At about and certificates, now an o'clock this morning, George Young, farmer residing two miles south of this city, shot and killed his wife, his two boys, aged 2 and 4, and himself. All died inscantly, and were found weltering in blood when the hired man, the only person on the place, came in. Business and domestic troubles form the only explanation for the deed.

Wanted in Omaha for Forgery. Topeka, Kas., Oct. 20.—(Special.) James Burns McGee, a traveling man, was ar-rested here to-day upon information that he was wanted at Omaha on a charge of forgery and grand larceny. He registered he was wanted at Omaha on a c forgery and grand larceny. He re here under the allas of Edward Br

Cansas City. Omaha officers will ar o-morrow and take him back for trial. Prominent Swiss Shoots Himself. St. Louis, Oct. 20 .- Alois Thoman, aged St. Louis, Oct. 29.—Alois Inoman, aged, one of the most prominent Swiss in issouri, fired a bullet into his left breast noon to-day. Physicians say that he innot live. Financial difficulties are given the cause of his attempt at suicide. Mr. homan was a wholesale and retail wine

Washington Stage Robbed. Uniontown, Wash., Oct. 20.—The stage running between Lewiston and Uniontown was held up last night about 10 o'clock by masked men, and the United States mails and express box rifled. There is no trace of the perpetrators. It is believed that but little booty was secured.

MR. HAGAN'S REQUEST REFUSED

He Wanted Missouri National Bank Sults Brought in Kansas Instend of Missouri.

Washington, Oct. 20 .- (Special.) Eugene Calvin Hood and Charles Lantry, called on the comptroller of the currency to-day in the interest of his clients. Mr. Hagan asked that the receiver's suit against them as stockholders in the Missouri National bank of Kansas City be brought in Kansas instead of Missouri. The comptroller informer him that the suit would take its alar course, which means be brought in Kansus. M which means that it will in Kansas. Mr. Hagan

REED-SEIDLITZ CHARGES.

Fourth Assistant Bristow Says There Is Nothing Sensational in Them. Washington, Oct. 20.-The post-office de-

cays. Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow stated to-day that so far his he knew, there was nothing sensational in the charges against Postmaster Reed and Assistant Postmaster Seidlitz, but if the Fourth Assistant Postmaster Genexamination showed anyone was guilty of violation of the rules and regulations, summary action would, of course, follow.

APPEAL TO AMERICANS. Striking British Engineers Send to

This Country for Financial Assistance.

London, Oct. 20.-The Amalgamated Society of Engineers to-day prepared a manifesto which is to be sent to the American newspapers and labor organizations appealing for money in order to enable the society to keep the striking engineers from giving in to their employers.

DENVER LEASES A GAS PLANT. Will Pay 6 Per Cent on the Appraised Valuation for a Term of

Eight Years. Denver, Col., Oct. 20 .- The stockholders of the Denver Consolidated Gas Company today ratified the action of the board of di-

rectors accepting the city's proposition to lease the plant at 6 per cent on an appraised valuation for eight years. Hotel Victoria-First-Class,

MR. GAGE'S REMEDY.

CURRENCY REFORM PLAN OF THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

WOULD REFUND NATIONAL DEBT

REDEMPTION OF OUTSTANDING PA-PER MONEY PROVIDED FOR.

Favors Extending National Banking System to Small Towns-Entire Withdrawal of Greenbacks Considered Impractienble.

Washington, Oct. 20.-The following is said, on good authority, to be a summary of Secretary Gage's plan for currency reform, which will be submitted to congress this winter:

The issue of gold bonds, redeemable at the option of the government after twenty and within fifty years, bearing interest at the rate of 2½ per cent; these bonds to be used for refunding the whole present bonded debt of the United States, so far as prac-ticable, by exchanging them for outstanding bonds of any issue on an equitable basis as to interest, also \$200,000,000 of them

to be sold for eash. The establishment of a separate bureau in the treasury, to be devoted to and entitled "issue and redemption" a fund of \$325,000,-000 of gold to be deposited in this bureau, county, who obtained a pension several treasury, supplemented by the proceeds of made up of the gold already on hand in the the bond sales just provided for; the bureau to redeem outstanding paper money when offered for that purpose, but to disburse none of this paper money in turn except in

exchange for gold. The extension of the national banking system so as to permit the organization of banks with only \$25,000 capital in towns of 4.000 inhabitants or less; the repeal of all the tax on bank circulation, except such amount as may be necessary to pay the cost of supervising the system and creating a safety fund of \$5,000,000, which need take only two or three years; authority to the banks to deposit the 2½ per cent refunding bonds and issue notes up to their par value. first to the extent of each bank's capital, and then to 25 per cent above that, the government securing itself by its first lien on court here all day yesterday. Fuchs was charged with taking a letter from the box of the mayor of Fayette at the postoffice. Fuchs claimed that he got the letter from his own box, which was next to the mayor's, and that it had been put in it by mistake. Judge Philips evidently believed the jury squarely against him. The jury, however, could not agree and at a late hour last night Judge Philips ordered it discharged. It stood 6 for acquittal and 6 for conviction. The case was continued until the next term this morning. posit, as the 5 per cent fund is kept now, and, finally, by the safety fund already mentioned; provision for the redemption of the treasury to issue silver certificates, and all government notes in ones, twos, fives and higher denominations, as his best judg-ment may dictate.

In defense of his plan Secretary Gage

In defense of his plan Secretary Gage stands ready to show that the present annual interest charge of \$15,000,000 on the bonded debt of the United States would be reduced to \$20,000,000 in spite of the increase in the volume of bonds as proposed in the first paragraph.

The outstanding demand libilities of the government including all forms of notes 00, would, the secretary thinks, through the redemptions conducted by the issue and redemption bureau, with the \$200,000,000 of rold received from the sale of bonds, be educed to \$642,000,000, and the \$125,000,000 of gold held against this would amour about 20 per cent. Finally, the increa bank note circulation would fill in the caused by the redemption of \$200,000,0

idea of the entire withdrawal of the greenbacks from circulation, the secretary confesses, he has abandoned not because he does not believe in it, but because he considers it politically impracticable.

POTATO CROP VERY POOR.

Tonnage Lighter Than Before Since 1892 and Quality Greatly

New York, Oct. 20 .- Not since 1892 has the potato crop of the United States proved so carly a failure, says the American Agriculturist in its final report of the yield of 1857. Compared with the liberal crop of last year there is an apparent falling off of nearly 30 per cent in tonnage, and the quality of the whole is greatly deficient. Counity of the whole is greatly deficient. County and township returns show the yield of p. tatoes to be 174,000,000 bushels, against 24,000,000 in 1895, 285,000,000 in 1895, 185,000,000 in 1894, and only 155,000,000 bushels in the short crop of 1892. The average rate of yield per acre is placed at 64 bushels, taking the country at large, against 86 bushels in 1895, 89 in 1895, and 62 in '92.

The reasons for disaster to the potato crop of 1897 are about as varied as a multiplicity of causes could make them. Standing out with more prominence than any other two factors are blight and rot, as a result of extremes of weather conditions.

AWARDED \$10,000 DAMAGES. Hagan, of Kansas, attorney for Major Mrs. Pease Successfully Sues a Saloon

keeper Under Illinois Dramshop Law. Aurora, Ill., Oct. 29 .- The jury in the celebrated case of Pease vs. Kareau brought in a verdict awarding the complainant \$10,600 damages. The widow Pease sued Kareau, a Hampshire saloonkeeper, for damages urder the Illinois dramshop law because of the death of her husband, who was killed the death of her husband, who was killed in a runaway as a result of being intoxicated on liquor presumably procured at Kareau's sulcon. This is the third time the case has been tried. The first time a verdict of \$2.800 damages was given. A new trial was secured by the defense and a verdict for \$1.800 was given. This time the case went to the appellate court, and was sent back for a rehearing. It will be appealed again.

pealed again. rartment officials have not yet received a report of the investigation of the Kansas City, Mo., postoffice, and will not for some All but Three of Those Attending a Sioux Fulls, S. D., School

Walk Out. Sioux Falls, S. D., Oct. 29,-All but three of the students attending the Baptist university here are on a strike and demand

the removal of the president. On Sunday one of the invalid girl pupils On Sunday one of the invalid girl pupils who had been brought down to the parlor was assisted back to her room by a couple of students, who carried her in her chair. This was done during the absence of the president, who, upon his return, suspended the two boys. This angered all the pupils and they left the institution and will demand the removal of the president before they will return.

It is likely that he will have to go, as there has for a long time been a disposition to dispense with his services.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS OFFICERS. W. Sullinger, of King City, Elected Grand Chancellor-Macon Man

Vice Grand Chancellor. Springfield, Mo., Oct. 20.-The election of officers for the Missouri state grand lodge of Knights of Pythias, held to-day, resulted as follows: J. W. Sullinger, grand ed as follows: J. W. Suillinger, grand chancellor: Dr. W. E. Webb, of Macon, vice grand chancellor: Rev. Mr. William Shelton, of Slater, grand prelate: John H. Holmes, of St. Louis, grand keeper of records and seal: Adam Theis, Hannibal, grand master of the exchequer; C. J. Costuba. St. Louis, grand master at arms; A. C. Norwine, St. Louis, grand inner evers.